



2012-13

Budget

at a glance



Your State Budget 2012-13

Leadership

- Economic growth of 6.0 per cent in 2011-12 and 4.75 per cent in 2012-13 is the strongest in the nation
- \$484million operating surplus in 2011-12 and \$196million surplus in 2012-13
- Net debt peaking in 2014-15 before beginning to decline in 2015-16 and debt forecasts lower than at mid-year review
- \$1 billion Western Australian Future Fund established for future generations to benefit from the finite mineral resources of WA. Future Fund estimated to be worth \$4.7billion in 20 years time
- 2 per cent efficiency dividend across general government and 2.5 per cent for GTEs to save \$244million and \$49million respectively in 2012-13 – part of a broad range of new savings measures designed to cut waste, provide efficient government services and allow reprioritisation of government's spending
- Salaries growth of 6.1 per cent in 2012-13, which is less than half the rate of salaries growth in 2008-09 of 12.4 per cent
- Electricity tariff increase kept to the bare minimum and will only increase by CPI (3.5 per cent) in 2012-13 with operating subsidies to energy providers totalling \$371million in 2012-13

Supporting our Community

- New Cost of Living Assistance payment, worth \$200 a year, to provide a 35 per cent increase to existing energy subsidy for around one-third of all Western Australian households from 1 October 2012
- \$11.7million in 2012-13 allocated to the Hardship Utilities Grant Scheme to help those most in need with their utility bills
- \$59million over four years for non-government organisations to hire 100 additional community health nurses and \$29million over four years to establish 10 new Child and Parent Centres at selected government schools



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Building the State



- \$32million over next three years to build the Western Australian Institute of Sport High Performance Service Centre
- \$71million over three years from 2013-14 to commence construction of the \$428million new Museum in the Perth Cultural Centre
- \$375million over three years from 2013-14 to commence construction of the Perth Major Stadium at Burswood
- Spending on mental health services up \$46million or 7.5 per cent in 2012-13, and spending on disability services up \$67million or 10.2 per cent in 2012-13
- Additional \$130million over 2012-13 and 2013-14 to fund the construction of 433 homes for those who cannot secure housing in the private market
- Payroll tax incentives worth \$7million over the next four years for employers who hire Indigenous employees or employees with a disability
- Spending on health services up \$462million (7.3 per cent) in 2012-13, as well as capital expenditure of \$281million in 2012-13 for Fiona Stanley Hospital and \$22million over 2014-15 and 2015-16 for refurbishment of Royal Perth Hospital
- \$265million to upgrade 29 schools to accommodate Year 7 students in a secondary setting, as part of an overall \$341million funding package
- \$88million on road safety programs in 2012-13
- Additional \$82million over four years for fire management in response to the Keelty reports

Building the State

- \$7.6billion on infrastructure in 2012-13
- \$1.4billion for electricity infrastructure and \$1.1billion for water infrastructure
- \$57million to expand the capacity of the Graham Farmer Freeway tunnel and the Mitchell Freeway and \$48million over four years to manage inner city traffic congestion
- \$167million in 2012-13 on construction works for the Perth Waterfront project
- Payroll tax rebate for small businesses worth \$128million
- Additional \$99million over next two years for delivery of training services

